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Memorandum

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Subject: MT 328 Revision

The purpose of this Construction Memo is to notify field personnel of a recent change to Montana Test Procedure MT 328 Method of Establishing Field Target Density for Plant Mix Surfacing Density Control. It also provides guidance on applying the change to projects already under contract.

MT 328 is being changed to eliminate the use of mix design Rice Gravities as the field target Rice Gravity density for compaction control. The first two Rice Gravities for the project will be used to establish the initial target Rice Gravity on the job. Apply this initial target retroactively to the start of production. The process for changing this initial target is not changing.

Contractors need to submit a request to use the new procedure on projects let prior to April 2006 and a change order documenting this contract change must be executed. The decision to make the change should be made prior to the start of plant mix production.

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